

# Town of Abington

## Board of Health Meeting

Monday, November 1, 2021

(Town Hall Cotter Room)

6:00 p.m.

Members present: Aaron Christian, Chairman; Christina Fifer, Vice Chair; Kevin Whalen

Health Department Staff present: Marty Golightly, Director of Public Health

Absent: Melissa Pond

Aaron Christian calls the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

**Announcements:** Selectmen are opening the applications to fill the Board of Health vacancy. Applications are due November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Booster shots for the COVID-19 vaccine are available at the town hall and any person, no matter their original vaccine manufacturer (Pfizer, Moderna, etc.) is eligible to receive a booster. Please schedule an appointment through the town website. The Town is providing Moderna boosters. The Town is expected to provide flu shots once shipments arrive. Mr. Golightly expects children's clinics (ages 5-11 years old) to be up and running within a week.

Mr. Kevin Whalen asks Mr. Golightly the turnaround time from when a person with a breakthrough infection should receive their booster shot. Mr. Golightly responds that it should be 10 days from their positive test or symptom resolution.

**Old business and new:** Previous review of Health regulations regarding smoking. Discussion of how to consolidate the four tobacco regulations documents. The proposed combined regulation would account for all tobacco usage (selling and smoking) in Abington for easy accessibility and understanding for small business owners and the public.

Review the revised Body Art Regulations. Guest Practitioner fee is recommended to be decreased to \$50. Ms. Christina Fifer asks if the board has the purview to alter the limitations of licensed practitioners. Mr. Golightly responds that the Board may alter whatever they desire. There is no state tattoo license, only by local regulations are tattoo artists regulated.

Mr. Whalen motions to accept the changes as written in section 12 page 20, Mr. Christian seconds the motion. Mr. Whalen and Mr. Christian vote to approve, Ms. Fifer votes to deny, majority vote 3-1.

Ms. Fifer makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Whalen, unanimous.

**(12:54 minutes)**

Respectfully,

Cassandra Jordan